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Tom Wheeler, Chairman
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, SW
Washington, DC 20554

RE: MB Docket No. 15-149

Dear Chairman Wheeler,

As Chairman of the Riverside County Board of Supervisors, I am tasked with improving the economic development of my region for the current and future prosperity of the community. I believe that my community benefits most when we promote initiatives that drive investment and create jobs. The merger of Charter Communications, Time Warner Cable and Bright House Networks into New Charter would improve broadband infrastructure and facilitate job growth, not only in my city, but across the country.

New Charter would be committed to infrastructure investment projects. The company's plans would be critical to broadband improvements and serve as a great example of private sector's ability to influence the public good. For example, New Charter would invest \$2.5 billion in commercial networks and would build out one million residential line extensions. The company would also deploy hundreds of thousands of out-of-home WiFi hotspots and would work to fully digitize across its entire platform. This work would bring the latest fiber-optics to residents and businesses throughout the country, allowing them to harness the internet's full capabilities.

New Charter would also be committed to employee investment. It would boost American jobs by returning overseas customer call centers. The move would bring back to our country quality jobs and improve the efficiency of customer care.

I am excited about New Charter's impact on the cable broadband industry. I believe my community would benefit from its investments and ask that the merger be approved.

Sincerely,

Marion Ashley, Chairman
Board of Supervisors
Riverside County, Fifth District